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Fearful of terrorist activity at the Summer Olympics, a U.S. Senate subcommittee will hold a closed-door hearing with officials of the White House, CIA, Pentagon and local police, it was announced Friday.

Sen. Jeremiah Denton, R-Ala., chairman of the Senate subcommittee on security and terrorism, will preside over the April 13 hearing in Los Angeles. The location has not been determined.

The hearing will be a follow-up to closed-door sessions Denton held last September in Washington. The hearing will be closed to the press and public because much of the information will carry top-secret classifications, officials said.

"Basically the purpose of the committee hearing is to provide a forum for all the different players to come together and talk," Erna Engelkes, Denton's press secretary, said. "When the senator held the hearings in September, a lot of the people had not sat down in one room and compared notes. It afforded the opportunity to do that, find out where the problems lie and coordinate efforts to solve those problems."

Among those invited to send representatives to the April meeting are the White House, FBI, CIA, Defense and State departments, Secret Service, U.S. Coast Guard, the California governor's office and the Los Angeles police and sheriff's departments. All participated in the September hearings.

Still to be hammered out is an understanding between the FBI and Los Angeles Police Department over which agency will have jurisdiction in the event of a terrorist attack within the city. Miss Engelkes said Denton expects the long-simmering dispute to be resolved soon, although she conceded, "You can't push either the FBI or the LAPD to do anything they don't want to do."

"The senator is obviously encouraging them to solve that jurisdictional problem," Miss Engelkes said.

Police Cmmdr. William Booth said Friday the matter will be discussed at a Washington meeting next week between Police Chief Daryl Gates and FBI Director William Webster.

"We should lay all this little problem to rest shortly after that," he said. "I guarantee we'll confirm that both agencies have been working cooperatively on a number of issues for years where we have mutual jursidiction, or overlapping jurisdiction, with no problems and that will continue."